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SUBJECT:

Conference Report on Europe in the

Eighties

In preparing for the President's trip in June, you might find our report on a recent conference on Europe in the Eighties of interest.

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ones. These projections stem from a skepticism that European governments will be willing or able to surmount the socio-political obstacles to critical structural adjustments to their economies. While Europeans generally realize that the welfare state is in deep trouble and is too

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